



Supreme Court of Illinois

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SUPREME COURT JUSTICE RITA GARMAN ANNOUNCES TWO VACANCIES IN SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Justice Rita B. Garman of the Supreme Court of Illinois has begun an application process for two vacancies in the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

One vacancy will be created by the retirement of At-Large Circuit Judge Leslie Graves on December 2, 2018. A second vacancy is expected for the position of Resident Circuit Judge. The incumbent, Justice Peter Cavanagh, was assigned to the Appellate Court on March 1, 2018.

Under the Illinois Constitution, judicial vacancies are filled by Supreme Court appointment. The application process will lead to the final Court approval. Applicants will undergo an evaluation and screening process.

Notice of the vacancy has been posted in the courthouses throughout the Circuit. The application form and instructions may be obtained by visiting the Illinois Supreme Court's website at www.illinoiscourts.gov and following the instructions in the Latest News scroller announcing the Seventh Judicial Circuit vacancy.

Deadline for submission of an application is **Friday, October 19, 2018**.

The persons appointed to fill the vacancies will serve until the first Monday in December following the November 2020 general election.

To be eligible for consideration for appointment, the applicant must be a lawyer licensed to practice law in Illinois.

The Seventh Judicial Circuit encompasses six counties: Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, Morgan, Sangamon, and Scott.

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